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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of new specialty earmarked wildlife license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as new, appropriately designated subdivisions:

- () Small mouth bass;
- () White tail deer;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

- (a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the state, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a small mouth bass new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).
- (b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain a design of a small mouth bass and shall be designed in consultation with the executive director of the Tennessee wildlife resources agency.
- (c) The funds produced from the sale of such small mouth bass new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Tennessee wildlife resources agency in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be deposited in the wildlife resources fund established §70-1-401, to be used exclusively for management,

protection, propagation and conservation of fish and wildlife species and the protection and enhancement of such species habitats.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is further amended by adding the following as new, appropriately designated section:

- (a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the state, upon complying with the state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a white tail deer new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-201(c).
- (b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain a design of a white tail deer and shall be designed in consultation with the executive director of the Tennessee wildlife resources agency.
- (c) The funds produced from the sale of such new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the Tennessee wildlife resources agency in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be deposited in the wildlife resources fund established at § 70-1-401, to be used exclusively for management, protection, propagation and conservation of fish and wildlife species and the protection and enhancement of such species habitats.

SECTION 4. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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